

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Wagener et al.

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For: ELASTOMERIC POLYMERS

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed August 8, 2006 (Office Action). This response is being filed within the shortened statutory period and as such no fees are due. Although, Applicants believe that no extensions of time or fees are required with submission of this paper, Applicants request that this submission also be considered as a petition for any extensions of time if necessary. The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge the amount due for any retroactive extensions of time and any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees paid on the filing or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this response.